

**MINUTES ROAD & BRIDGE COMMITTEE & INFORMATIONAL MEETING
FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2026
MASON COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

TIME			
MEETING BEGIN	MEETING END		
9:15 A.M.	9:38 AM		
NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	
SCOTT GARLISCH (CHAIRMAN)	X		
DOROTHY KREILING	X		
RON KNOLLENBERG	X		
KEN WALKER (CO. BOARD CHAIRMAN)	X		
ADAM SARNES	X		
BRENDA DAVENPORT-FORNOFF	X		
KIMI BENDER	X		
SUMMER BROWN	X		
LORI WICKMAN	X		
NICK PELOW (COUNTY ENGINEER)	X		

The purpose of this meeting was to review and approve the claims of the County Highway Department. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved. The following items were discussed:

MAINTENANCE CREW: The Mason County Highway maintainers continued spray patching various roadways within Mason County. Roadway shoulders were reclaimed on County Highways 4, 14, and 20.

ILLINOIS ROAD CONTRACTORS: Illinois Road Contractors are scheduled to come back to Mason County on Tuesday September 1st to complete County Highway 15's seal coat operation. This will conclude all contracted seal coat work for the Mason County Highway Department.

SOLAR ROAD USE AGREEMENTS: The Mason County Engineer assisted Havana Township with implementing a road use agreement with Blakeley Solar 1, LLC. The Highway Department is currently working with Heyl Royster to establish a road use agreement for the proposed Rockdale Solar project.

EQUIPMENT RENTAL: The Mason County Highway Department rented a McCloskey 516RE dirt trommel from US Equipment Sales and Rental. This equipment was used to separate any foreign material from the steel slag stockpile and return it to its original gradation. This material will be used during the seal coat operation on County Highway 15.

BRUSH CUTTER BID OPENING: The Mason County Road and Bridge Committee opened sealed bids regarding the proposed purchase of a new mid-mount brush cutter and tractor combination. Ken Walker made a motion to accept the bid submitted by Sloan Implement in the amount of \$280,500.

APPROVED:

Scott Garlisch (Chairperson)

Adam Sarnes

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Nicholas D. Peplow

Nicholas Peplow (Co. Engineer)

Dorothy Kreiling

Ron Knollenberg

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Ken Walker

Ken Walker (Co. Bd. Chair.)